



**Department of English**  
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Semester-III

**Open Elective Paper: English for Competitive Exams (ID)**

Syllabus

**Unit-I**

1. Parts of Speech
2. Tense
3. Match the Following
4. Prefix-Suffixes

**Unit-II**

1. Synonyms and Antonyms
2. Homographs, Homonyms and Homophones
3. Voice
4. Reported Speech

**Unit-III**

1. Subject-Verb agreement (Concord); Error corrections
2. Question Tags
3. One Word substitutions/Idioms & Phrases
4. Correct use of Articles & Prepositions

**Unit-IV**

1. Reading Comprehension/Precise Writing
2. Simple/Complex/Compound Sentences
3. Degrees of Comparison
4. Be forms/Do forms/ Have Forms/ Phrasal Verbs/Number/Gender

**Reference Books:**

1. Aarts, Bas (2011). *Oxford Modern English Grammar*. Oxford University Press. p. 410.
2. Adams, Valerie. (1973). *An introduction to modern English word-formation*. London: Longman.
3. *Merriam-Webster's Dictionary of English Usage*. Springfield, MA: Merriam-Webster, 1994.